

## Double Displacement Reactions

- What you will learn...
  - Predict the solubility of a product and if precipitate is formed using solubility information
  - Predict whether a reaction occurs
  - Write a complete balanced equation for a double displacement reaction

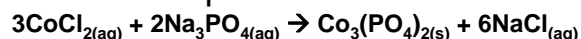
## Solubility

- The **solubility** of a solute is the amount that can be dissolved in a given quantity of solvent at a given temperature.  
e.g.  $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  is 56 g/100 mL  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ .
- It is temperature and pressure dependent
- Three categories: **soluble**, **slightly soluble**, and **insoluble**.

## Solubility Rules and Double Displacement Reactions

- A double displacement reaction occurs if a precipitate forms, a gas is produced or a molecular compound like water is created.
- Solubility rules** can be used to determine if a reaction will occur in a double displacement reaction.
- If both the products are soluble (form ions in solution), then **no reaction** has occurred.

## Double Displacement Reaction



**Will this reaction occur?**

**A reaction will occur only if the following will be produced**

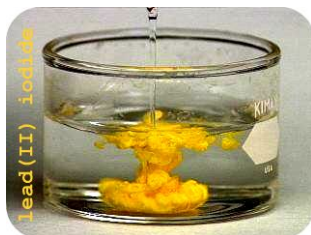
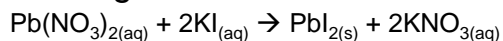
- Gas
- Solid precipitate

Solubility table

Ion	Solubility	Exceptions
$\text{NO}_3^-$	soluble	none
$\text{ClO}_4^-$	soluble	none
$\text{Cl}^-$	soluble	except $\text{Ag}^+$ , $\text{Hg}_2^{2+}$ , $\text{Pb}^{2+}$
$\text{I}^-$	soluble	except $\text{Ag}^+$ , $\text{Hg}_2^{2+}$ , $\text{Pb}^{2+}$
$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	soluble	except $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ , $\text{Sr}^{2+}$ , $\text{Hg}^{2+}$ , $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ , $\text{Ag}^+$
$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$	insoluble	except Group IA and $\text{NH}_4^+$
$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$	insoluble	except Group IA and $\text{NH}_4^+$
$-\text{OH}$	insoluble	except Group IA, $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ , $\text{Sr}^{2+}$
$\text{S}^{2-}$	insoluble	except Group IA, IIA and $\text{NH}_4^+$
$\text{Na}^+$	soluble	none
$\text{NH}_4^+$	soluble	none
$\text{K}^+$	soluble	none

\*slightly soluble

## Forming an Insoluble Product



## Solubility Rules (common ionic compounds in water at $25^\circ\text{C}$ )

Soluble Compounds	Exceptions
Compounds containing alkali metal ions ( $\text{Li}^+$ , $\text{Na}^+$ , $\text{K}^+$ , $\text{Rb}^+$ , $\text{Cs}^+$ ) and the ammonium ion ( $\text{NH}_4^+$ )	
Nitrates ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ ), bicarbonates ( $\text{HCO}_3^-$ ), and chlorates ( $\text{ClO}_3^-$ )	
Halides ( $\text{Cl}^-$ , $\text{Br}^-$ , $\text{I}^-$ )	Halides of $\text{Ag}^+$ , $\text{Hg}_2^{2+}$ , and $\text{Pb}^{2+}$
Sulfates ( $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ )	Sulfates of $\text{Ag}^+$ , $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , $\text{Sr}^{2+}$ , $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ , $\text{Hg}^{2+}$ , and $\text{Pb}^{2+}$
Insoluble Compounds	Exceptions
Carbonates ( $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ), phosphates ( $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$ ), chromates ( $\text{CrO}_4^{2-}$ ), sulfides ( $\text{S}^{2-}$ )	Compounds containing alkali metal ions and the ammonium ion
Hydroxides ( $\text{OH}^-$ )	Compounds containing alkali metal ions and the $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ ion

## Verifying Solubility

Use your solubility chart to verify if the compound is soluble in water?

- MgCO<sub>3</sub>
- AgNO<sub>3</sub>
- MgCl<sub>2</sub>
- Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>
- KOH

## Solubilities Not on the Table!

- Gases only slightly dissolve in water
- Strong acids and bases dissolve in water
  - Hydrochloric, Hydrobromic, Hydroiodic, Nitric, Sulfuric, Perchloric Acids
  - Group I hydroxides (should be on your chart anyway)
- Water slightly dissolves in water! (H<sup>+</sup> and OH<sup>-</sup>)
- SrSO<sub>4</sub> is insoluble; BeI<sub>2</sub> and the products are soluble
- There are other tables and rules that cover more compounds than your table!

## Solubility Table

	amphib	arsenate	bromide	carbonate	chloride	chromate	hydroxide	iodide	nitrate	perchlorate	periodate	sulfate	sulfite
Al	S	I	S		S		I	S	S		I	I	S
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S		S	S
Ba	S	I	S	I	S	I	S	S	I	S	I	I	I
Bi		S	I	I	I		I	I	I	I	S	I	I
Ca	S	I	S	I	S		I (s)	S	S	I	I	I	I
Co <sup>2+</sup>	S	I	S	I	S	I	I	S	S	I	I	I	I
Cu <sup>2+</sup>	S	I	S	I	S	I	I	S	I	I	I	I	I
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	S	I	S	I	S	I	I	S	I	I	I	I	I
Fe <sup>3+</sup>	I	I	S	I	S	I	I	S	S	I	I	I	I
Pb <sup>2+</sup>	S	I	I	I	I	I	I	S	I	I	I	I	I
Mg	S	I	S	I	S	I	I	S	I	I	I	I	I
Hg <sup>2+</sup>	S	I	I	I	S	I	I	S	I	I	I	I	I
K	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Ag <sup>+</sup>	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	S	I	I	I	I
Na	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Zn <sup>2+</sup>	S	I	S	I	S	I	I	S	S	I	I	I	I

## Double Displacement Reactions that Produce a Gas

One product of the double displacement decomposes to give WATER and a GAS

This type has two steps:

- The double displacement
- The decomposition of one of the products of double displacement to form water and a gas.

**Steps to solving double displacement reactions that produce a gas**

- Perform the double displacement:  

$$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{HCl}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{NaCl}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq})$$
 (Very unstable so it decomposes).
- Perform the decomposition: convert the unstable compound into water and a gas.  

$$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) + \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$$
 (Recall from decomposition reactions: Acid → Non-metal oxide and water.) Trick: 1st subtract water from the formula of the acid: H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> - H<sub>2</sub>O = CO<sub>2</sub> (take out 2 H and one O)
- Rewrite the original reaction and replace the acid in the original equation by water and the gas produced. 
$$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{HCl}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{NaCl}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) + \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$$

## Double Displacement & Neutralization

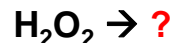
**Neutralization Reaction:** A special type of double displacement reaction that produces water and a salt.

**General Equation:** Acid (Usually has H) + Base (usually has OH) → Water + Ionic Comp. (a salt: ionic compound produced by a neutralization reaction)

**Sample Problems:**

- e.g. NaOH(aq) + HCl(aq) → NaCl(aq) + H<sub>2</sub>O(l)
- HNO<sub>3</sub>(aq) + NaOH(aq) → \_\_\_\_\_
  - KOH(aq) + H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>(aq) → \_\_\_\_\_
  - SrO(s) + HBr(aq) → \_\_\_\_\_

## Predicting the Products for a Chemical Reaction



2) Is there only ONE reactant?

If yes, then this reaction is a **DECOMPOSITION REACTION**  
 So there should be two products, each being a separate element (i.e. Na, Ca, O<sub>2</sub>, I<sub>2</sub>, Br<sub>2</sub>) although that is not always the case

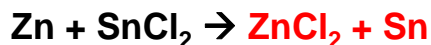


Predicting the Products for a Chemical Reaction



3) If there are 2 reactants, is one of them a pure metal on its own?

If yes, then this reaction is a **SINGLE DISPLACEMENT REACTION**  
So the metal that is on its own must take the place of the other metal that is in the larger compound



Predicting the Products for a Chemical Reaction

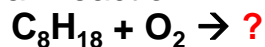


4) Are both of the reactants compounds?

If yes, then this reaction is a **DOUBLE DISPLACEMENT REACTION**  
So the two metals must switch places with one another, forming two new compounds



Predicting the Products for a Chemical Reaction



5) Is one of the reactants oxygen gas?

If yes, then this reaction is a **COMBUSTION REACTION** (as well as a **SYNTHESIS REACTION**)

So the products must be an oxide and energy. If one of the reactants is a hydrocarbon, then  $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  are the products.

